

ORDINANCE 66690

INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN CRAIG SCHMID

1 An ordinance prohibiting the issuance of any package or drink liquor licenses for any currently non-
2 licensed premises within the boundaries of the Twentieth Ward Liquor Control District, as
3 established herein, for a period of three years from the effective date hereof; containing an exception
4 allowing, during the moratorium period, for the transfer of existing licenses, under certain
5 circumstances, and the issuance of a drink license to persons operating a restaurant at a previously
6 non-licensed premises; and containing an emergency clause.

7 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

8 **SECTION ONE. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS.**

9 The existence of alcoholic beverage establishments appears to contribute directly to
10 numerous peace, health, safety and general welfare problems including loitering, littering, drug
11 trafficking, prostitution, public drunkenness, defacement and damaging of structures, pedestrian
12 obstructions, as well as traffic circulation, parking and noise problems on public streets and
13 neighborhood lots. The existence of such problems creates serious impacts on the health, safety and
14 welfare of residents of single- and multiple-family within the district, including fear for the safety
15 of children, elderly residents and of visitors to the district. The problems also contribute to the
16 deterioration of the neighborhood and concomitant devaluation of property and destruction of
17 community values and quality of life. The number of establishments selling alcoholic beverages and
18 the associated problems discourage more desirable and needed commercial uses in the area. In order
19 to preserve the residential character and the neighborhood-serving commercial uses of the area, there
20 shall be a moratorium on the issuance of new liquor licenses with the area Beginning at the
21 intersection of the centerlines of S. Broadway and Interstate 55, and proceeding along the centerlines

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1 in a generally clockwise direction south to Kosciusko St., north to Winnebago St., west to Marine
2 Ave., south to Chippewa St., west to Missouri Ave., south to Keokuk St., west to S. Broadway, north
3 on S. Broadway to Jefferson Ave., north to Chippewa St., west to Ohio Ave., south to Keokuk St.,
4 west to California Ave., north to Chippewa St., west to Oregon Ave., south to Osage St., east to
5 California Ave., south to Gasconade St., west to Pennsylvania Ave., south to Meramec St., west to
6 Michigan Ave., north to Gasconade St., west to Louisiana Ave., north to Osage St., west to S. Grand
7 Blvd., north to Alberta St., east to Arkansas Ave., north to Chippewa St., east to Tennessee Ave.,
8 north to Potomac St., east to Louisiana Ave., north to Gravois Ave., east to Virginia Ave., south to
9 Utah St., east to Compton Ave., north to Gravois Ave., northeast to Juniata St., east to Minnesota
10 Ave., south to Utah St., east to Pennsylvania Ave., south to Cherokee St., east to Nebraska Ave.,
11 north to Wyoming St., east to Oregon Ave., north to Juniata St., east to California Ave., south to
12 Wyoming St., east to Texas Ave., south to Utah St., west to Ohio Ave., south to Cherokee St., west
13 to Iowa Ave., south to Miami St., east to Ohio St., north to Potomac St., east to Indiana Ave., south
14 to Miami St., east to S. Broadway, northeast to Salena St., south to Miami St., east to Cleon St.,
15 northeast to President St., southeast to Second St., northeast to Potomac St., northwest to S.
16 Broadway St., northeast to the point of beginning. Such area shall be known as the Twentieth Ward
17 Liquor Control Area.

18 **SECTION TWO.** The Excise Commissioner is hereby prohibited, for a period of three years,
19 beginning as of the effective date of this Ordinance, from approving the issuance of a package or
20 drink liquor license for any premises, not licensed as of the effective date hereof, which is located
21 within the boundaries of the Twentieth Ward Liquor Control District established in Section One of
22 this ordinance.

1 **SECTION THREE.** Notwithstanding the provisions of Section Two of this Ordinance, the Excise
2 Commissioner shall have authority to:

3 (1) Approve transfer of an existing license to another premises within the petition
4 circle of the currently licensed premises, pursuant to the provisions of subsection (B) of section
5 14.06.330 of Ordinance 61289; and

6 (2) Issue a drink license for a premises, not licensed as of the effective date of this
7 Ordinance, which currently is or will be, upon opening, operated as a restaurant, as such term is
8 defined in section 14.01.390 of Ordinance 61289.

9 **SECTION FOUR. EMERGENCY CLAUSE.**

10 This being an ordinance for the preservation of public peace, health and safety, it is
11 hereby declared to be an emergency measure within the meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article
12 IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis and therefore this ordinance shall become effective
13 immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.